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NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 1 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., August 19, 2005 -- Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 1.73 million cattle on feed on August 1, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. The inventory was down 1 percent from last year but 10 percent above August 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 325,000 head, up 5 percent from 2004 but 7 percent below 2003.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 405,000 head, the same as last year and 12 percent below July two years ago. Other disappearance during July totaled 10,000 compared with 5,000 last year and 10,000 during July 2003.

U.S. CATTLE ON FEED UP 2 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.1 million head on August 1, 2005. The inventory was 2 percent above August 1, 2004 and 5 percent above August 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.68 million, 2 percent below 2004 and 16 percent below 2003.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.92 million, slightly below 2004 and 16 percent below 2003. Other disappearance totaled 60,000 during July, 3 percent above 2004 but unchanged from 2003.

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